

Application No. 10/730712
Amendment dated May 24, 2005
Reply to Office Action of November 24, 2005

REMARKS

This amendment is respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2004. Entry of the present amendment is respectfully requested. Initially, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for acknowledging Applicants' election without traverse of Group 6, Claims 70-80. Claims 1-69, 73, 74 and 80 have been cancelled without prejudice and Claims 70, 71, 72 and 75-79 are now pending in this application.

By the present amendment Applicants have placed all remaining claims in condition for allowance by including the limitation of objected claim 73 into independent claim 70. All other remaining claims are dependent upon claim 70.

REQUEST FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Finally, Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. A PTO-2038 form in the amount of \$510.00 is enclosed herewith for the official fee associated therewith. In the event of any deficiency for the required amount for an extension of time, please debit Deposit Account No. 07-0130.

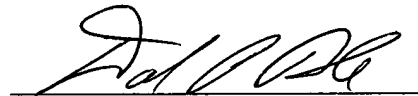
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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims, as amended, are now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any additional questions or comments, he is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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